

REMARKS

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, dated February 15, 2006, the Examiner indicated that each claim of the previously-filed amendment (the amendment filed on December 7, 2005) allegedly does not have a proper status identifier. In particular, the Examiner stated, in item 4(e) of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment:

Newly added/edited claim subject matters are not clearly marked. More specifically, as shown in claim 29 “selecting, by the user” was used in place of “receiving a selection from the user of”. Similar editing was done on claims 38 and 46.

Applicants strongly disagree with the Examiner and submit that all claims of the previously-filed amendment of December 7, 2005 include the proper status identifiers.

Applicants submit, and the record shows, that claims 29-53 were added as new claims by the amendment after final, which was concurrently filed with a RCE on August 3, 2005. Applicants submit that the wording, “selecting, by the user” was used in new claim 29 and that similar wording was used in new claims 38 and 46.

The next amendment filed for this application was the amendment filed on December 7, 2005. In that amendment, claim 29 was provided with the status identifier “Previously Presented” because the claim was new with respect to the amendment filed on August 3, 2005 and was not amended in any way for the amendment filed on December 7, 2005. That is, Applicants submit that the wording of claim 29 in the amendment filed December 7, 2005 is identical to the wording of claim 29 of the amendment filed on August 3, 2005. Similarly, in the amendment filed December 7, 2005, claims 38 and 46 were provided with the status identifier “Previously Presented” because claims 38 and 46 were new with respect to the amendment filed on August 3, 2005 and were not amended in any way for the amendment filed on December 7, 2005. That is, Applicants submit that the wording

of claims 38 and 46, in the amendment filed December 7, 2005 are identical to the wording of claim 38 and 46, respectively, of the amendment filed on August 3, 2005.

In view of the above, Applicants submit that the amendment filed on December 7, 2005 is compliant with 37 CFR 1.121 and a Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Having addressed all outstanding issues, Applicants respectfully submit that the subject application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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